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(CONSULTANT SERVICES) SELECTION OF FIRMS/CABINETS

Country: Republic of Burundi

Project Name : Emergency Urban Resilience Project (PRU)

Grant Number : IDA No. E3520

Project No .: P177146

Mission Title: Feasibility study, APS. Development of the environmental and social management plan, APD studies, development of the DAO and supervision of works for a photovoltaic system at the Buterere wastewater treatment plant

Reference No. (according to the Procurement Plan in STEP) : BI-MIELS-PIU-485936-CS-CQS

The Government of the Republic of Burundi has obtained from the World Bank a grant of One Hundred Thirteen Million US Dollars (USD 113,000,000) to cover the cost of the activities of the Emergency Urban Resilience Project (PRU-P177146), and intends to use part of this funding to make payments under the following service contract: **"Feasibility study, APS. Development of the environmental and social management plan, APD studies, development of the DAO and supervision of works for a photovoltaic system at the Buterere wastewater treatment plant."**

The Consultant Services ("the Services") include:

The general objective of the mission is to carry out a detailed technical study as well as the production of a Call for Tenders Document (CTD) for the execution of the works of setting up a photovoltaic power plant to ensure an energy supply to the Buterere wastewater treatment plant while improving the drying of the sludge extracted from the lagoon basins.

The specific objectives are separated into two phases:

Phase 1 (fixed-price contract): Feasibility study, preliminary design. Development of the environmental and social management plan, preliminary design studies, development of the tender documents.

Phase 2 (time-based contract) Analysis of offers and Supervision and control of work once it has started.

The duration of the mission is sixty days for the unconditional tranche and ninety (90) days from the date of Notification of the entry into force of the contracts.

The detailed Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the mission can be obtained at the address indicated below.

The Urban Resilience Emergency Project (URP) now invites eligible Firms (“Consultants”) to express their interest in providing the services described above.

Interested Consultants must provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience for the performance of the Services (brief presentation of their firms, references concerning the performance of similar contracts, experience in similar conditions, copies of contracts already completed, etc.)

The criteria for establishing the choice of the consulting firm are:

In addition to meeting the World Bank's eligibility requirements, the Consultant must possess the following qualifications and meet the following criteria:

1. Have at least eight (8) years of general experience in carrying out studies, technical assistance, supervision and monitoring in the field of public works, including the design of photovoltaic solutions.
2. Have at least five (5) years of general experience in carrying out studies and/or technical assistance for wastewater treatment works.
3. Have carried out, as a main office, at least three (3) missions involving technical studies (APS and APD), Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIA) accompanied by an Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) and the preparation of Call for Tenders for infrastructure projects including an aspect on photovoltaic energy.

Key experts will not be assessed at this stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the “Procurement Regulations for Borrowers Requesting Investment Project Financing (IPF) February 2025 Edition” (“Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflicts of interest.

Consultants may partner with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but must clearly indicate whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or subcontracting. In the case of a joint venture, all partners in the joint venture will be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method, set out in the Procurement Regulations February 2025 Edition and in accordance with the criteria required in relation to the Terms of Reference of the mission.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours every working day from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (local time).

Expressions of interest written in French must be submitted in writing to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) no later than 19/05/2025 at 4 p.m., Bujumbura time (GMT+2) with the following statement: "Response to the Notice of Request for Expressions of Interest for **a feasibility study, APS. Development of the environmental and social management plan, APD studies, development of the DAO and supervision of works for a photovoltaic system at the Buterere wastewater treatment plant.**"

To the attention of: Mr. PRT & PRU Coordinator

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